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- A. The <u>lease holder leaseholder</u> has not complied with the terms of the limited-purpose lease;
- B. Research has not been conducted during the term of the lease; or
- C. It is not in the best interest of the State to renew the limited-purpose lease.

Sec. 12. 12 MRSA §6072-A, sub-§20-A is enacted to read:

20-A. Extension for conversion of a commercial lease. If a person who holds a limited-purpose lease for commercial aquaculture research and development submits an application under section 6072, subsection 12-D for that same lease area and the same operations before the expiration of that limited-purpose lease, and if the commissioner does not make a decision under section 6072, subsection 12-D before the expiration of that limited-purpose lease, the limited-purpose lease remains in effect until the commissioner makes a decision under section 6072, subsection 12-D. If the commissioner grants the person a lease under section 6072, subsection 12-D, that person's limited-purpose lease remains in effect until the effective date of the lease issued under section 6072, subsection 12-D. If the commissioner denies that person a lease under section 6072, subsection 12-D, that person's limited-purpose lease remains in effect until 30 days after the commissioner's decision.

Sec. 13. 12 MRSA §6673, sub-§2-A, as amended by PL 2011, c. 655, Pt. II, §5 and affected by §11 and amended by c. 657, Pt. W, §5, is further amended by repealing the first blocked paragraph.

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CHAPTER 565 H.P. 1335 - L.D. 2076

An Act to Exempt from Excise Tax Vehicles of Active Duty Service Members Deployed Out-of-state

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §1483, sub-§16, as amended by PL 2013, c. 532, §1, is further amended to read:

16. Active military stationed in Maine. Vehicles owned, including those jointly owned with a spouse, by a person on active duty serving in the Armed Forces of the United States who is permanently stationed at a military or naval post, station or base in the State or outside the State or who is deployed for military service for a period of more than 180 days or was deployed for a period of at least 180 consecutive days, a portion or all of which occurred in the 12 months preceding the request

for an exemption from excise tax, and who did not previously receive an exemption for that deployment. Joint ownership of the vehicle must be indicated in the vehicle's title documentation. A member of the Armed Forces of the United States stationed in the State, or that member's spouse, who desires to register that member's vehicle in this State pursuant to this subsection shall present certification documentation of the member's eligibility from the commander of the member's post, station or base, or from the commander's designated agentthat the member is permanently stationed at that post, station or base. For purposes of this subsection, "a person on active duty serving in the Armed Forces of the United States" does not include includes a member of the National Guard or the Reserves of the United States Armed Forces as long as the person satisfies the service requirements of this subsection. For purposes of this subsection, "deployed for military service" has the same meaning as in Title 26, section 814, subsection 1, paragraph A.

Sec. 2. 36 MRSA §1483-A, as enacted by PL 2011, c. 313, §1 and affected by §2, is repealed.

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CHAPTER 566 H.P. 1355 - L.D. 2131

An Act to Support Extended Learning Opportunities

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

- Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §1, sub-§11-A is enacted to read:
- 11-A. Extended learning opportunity. "Extended learning opportunity" means an experience outside of the traditional classroom, with an emphasis on community-based career exploration, which may be credit bearing.
- **Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §4703, sub-§8,** as enacted by PL 2009, c. 313, §7, is amended to read:
 - 8. Dual enrollment. Dual enrollment; or
- **Sec. 3. 20-A MRSA §4703, sub-§9,** as enacted by PL 2009, c. 313, §7, is amended to read:
- **9. Gifted and talented programs.** Gifted and talented programs-; and
- **Sec. 4. 20-A MRSA §4703, sub-§10** is enacted to read:
- <u>10. Extended learning opportunities.</u> Extended <u>learning opportunities.</u>

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